## House Resolution No. 287

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are delighted to honor an outstanding Missourian who has witnessed dramatic changes in America during her sojourn on this most precious earth; and

Whereas, Iris Sitherwood, a cherished resident of Mound City, Missouri, commemorated the resplendent occasion of her Eightieth Birthday on January 18, 2004; and

Whereas, on January 18, 1924, in Bismark, North Dakota, God brought a special gift to this great nation with the birth of an adorable infant by the name of Iris, who would put a twinkle in people's eyes and fill their hearts with love and joy; and

Whereas, while celebrating her birthday, Iris Sitherwood had the opportunity to reminisce about some of the significant events in her life such as graduating from Mound City High School, marrying Jim Crawford in 1950, finding love a second time when she wed Francis Sitherwood in 1976, and raising four children; and

Whereas, God has blessed Iris Sitherwood with the love and affection of a wonderful family whose members include her children, Judith Clark of St. Joseph, Jeff Crawford of Maitland, Kirby Crawford of Longmont, Colorado, and Mark Sitherwood of Craig; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Iris Sitherwood further distinguished herself when she assisted with the operation of Pettijohn and Crawford Funeral Home, which she owned for many years; and

Whereas, Iris Sitherwood has enjoyed many hobbies and pastimes during the past eighty years, some of which include traveling to Padre Island, Texas, for the winter months and spending quality time with her husband at their home in Mound City:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations and special birthday greetings to Iris Sitherwood at this significant milestone and in wishing her peace and contentment as she continues to enjoy her golden years; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Missouri octogenarian Iris Sitherwood, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by	
Representative Brad Lager	
District No. 4	
I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 287, adopted February 2, 2004.	nd